



Reclamation's Mid-Pacific Region, Other Federal Agencies And Tribes Meet to Begin Developing Tribal Youth Initiative

Pablo Arroyave, Deputy Regional Director, and other Region representatives met with federal agencies and Tribes on May 5 in Klamath Falls to discuss formation of a Klamath Basin initiative designed to increase employment and education opportunities for tribal youth.

The program is part of the **America's Great Outdoors Initiative** to **employ, educate, and engage** America's young people from all backgrounds in exploring, connecting with and preserving America's natural and cultural heritage. Through employment and educational opportunities offered by the Department of the Interior, youth will have a key role in creating a new energy frontier, tackling climate change issues, empowering Native communities, building trails, enhancing wildlife habitat, and restoring our cultural and historic landmarks.

More information at:

<http://oneinterior.doi.net/oneinterior/Youth/index.cfm>



The Klamath Basin program meeting included representatives of several federal agencies: Reclamation, the Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Western Fisheries Research Center, U.S. Forest Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Environmental Protection Agency and National Marine Fisheries Service.



Tribal members attended the meeting.



Jason Phillips, Area Manager of the Klamath Basin Area Office, speaks with Eric Janney of the U.S. Geological Survey and Don Gentry, Vice-Chairman of the Klamath Tribal Council.